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Attorney Docket No. STOP-1-1002

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Title DRINK-THROUGH LID SEAL AND METHOD OF USE

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☐ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 10]  
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  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
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  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 5]
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## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

Enclosed with this transmittal letter are the following papers:

1. Application comprising 10 pages of written description and 5 drawing sheets.
2. Check No. 9525 in the amount of \$385 (\$385 filing fee). Applicant claims small entity status.
3. Executed original Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney in Patent Application.
4. Utility Patent Application Transmittal, Form PTO/SB/05.
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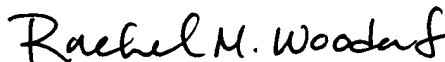
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